



THE 56th ANNUAL FIELD TRIP OF THE ALABAMA GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Orogen-parallel transport of the Piedmont in east Alabama:

Implications for the Paleozoic crustal growth of the eastern
Blue Ridge and Inner Piedmont terranes in the southernmost Appalachians

Leaders: Greg Guthrie and John Whitmore

November 21-23, 2019

Base Location: The accommodations and meeting facility will be at the Hampton Inn in Alexander City: (1551 Elkahatchee Rd., Alexander City, AL 35010; 256-234-2244). An introduction and pre-trip mixer will take place on the evening of Thursday November 21st, with two days of field tripping to follow. The bus will leave the Hampton Inn at 7:15am and return at approximately 5:00pm on both days. Please dress appropriately.

Registration: Registration cost includes the pre-trip mixer, lunch both days, field trip transportation, and a guidebook. Participants need to make their own housing arrangements.

AGS Member	\$175
Non-member	\$200
Student	\$50

Hotel: Participants will need to make their own hotel accommodations. A block of rooms has been reserved for \$89 + tax per night at the Hampton Inn; to receive this rate, **CALL** to book and ask for the “Alabama Geological Society Fieldtrip” rate.

Description: The Brevard zone is one of the most recognizable and enigmatic structural features in the southern Appalachians. Throughout the years, interpretations have changed regarding the origin and significance of the feature. The zone separates rocks developed along the Laurentian margin in the eastern Blue Ridge to the northwest from the Inner Piedmont to the southeast that contains rocks formed in an exotic arc-back arc basin. This year’s field trip will visit stops in Paleozoic metasedimentary and meta-igneous rocks of the Alabama eastern Blue Ridge, the Inner Piedmont, and the Brevard zone to examine structural and metamorphic features that illustrate orogen-parallel, dextral shear zones that are interpreted to have developed during the Acadian-Neoacadian orogeny, as well as late-stage regional structures that define the Brevard zone. Discussions during field stops and during evening get togethers will focus on these terranes and will attempt to integrate magmatic, metamorphic, structural, and stratigraphic data to place these them within a regional context in the hopes of advancing our understanding of the middle to late Paleozoic evolution of the southernmost Appalachians.

Visit the [Alabama Geological Society’s website](#)
for more details, and [online payment](#)!

2019 AGS Annual Field Trip Registration Form

Name	E-mail
Affiliation	
Mailing Address Street	
City	State/ZIP
Preferred Phone	Alternate Phone
Emergency contact name	Emergency contact number

Enclose check payable to Alabama Geological Society, P.O. Box 866184, Tuscaloosa, AL 35486

NEW: Pay online at <http://alageolsoc.org> - be sure to email or mail your signed registration after payment!

For more information or registration questions, please contact Denise Hills at dhills@gsa.state.al.us

Field Trip Release and Indemnity Agreement, Alabama Geological Society

I, _____, in consideration of the receipt by me of permission from the Alabama Geological Society ("AGS") to participate in a Field Trip entitled **Orogen-parallel transport of the Piedmont in east Alabama** to be conducted from **November 21-23, 2019**, and sponsored by the Alabama Geological Society, the receipt of such permission being hereby acknowledged, and being fully aware that the Field Trip may involve hazardous and/or dangerous activities, and/or be in a location in and/or around other hazardous and dangerous conditions, and recognizing and accepting the risks, known and unknown, involved in a Field Trip, hereby release and will indemnify, defend and hold harmless AGS, the agents, officers, servants, and employees of AGS, and the leader or leaders of the Field Trip (collectively referred to as "indemnitees") of and from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, as may be sustained by me, and to any loss, damage, or injury to any property of mine, while involved in any way with the Field Trip, including without limitation traveling to and from the site or sites of the Field Trip (whether by air, water, or land transportation) and at and during all stops and layovers during the Field Trip.

This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action to or by third parties as well as to or by me. This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury caused in any way by the concurrent or contributory negligence of any indemnitee. This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury caused in any way by the sole negligence of any indemnitee. Having made all inquiries deemed by me to be appropriate, I hereby voluntarily assume all risks of loss, damage, or injury, including death, as may be sustained by me or any property of mine while involved in any way with the Field Trip.

In the event the release by me of any indemnitee of any liability, claim, demand, action, or cause of action described herein is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, I agree that my total recovery of damages from the indemnitees, or any of them, both actual and punitive, shall be limited to \$100.00 or the cost of admission to the Field Trip, whichever is less.

In the event any provision of this Release and Indemnity Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions hereof shall continue to be enforceable and shall be interpreted as though said invalid provision had never been contained herein.

This release shall be binding upon my distributees, heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, and personal representatives.

IN SIGNING THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND IT, AND I HAVE SIGNED IT VOLUNTARILY. I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT I WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIELD TRIP IF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT WERE NOT SIGNED AND AGREED TO BY ME, AND THAT THE AGREEMENT BY ME TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE CONSIDERATION FROM ME FOR ME TO BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIELD TRIP.

Printed Name	Date
Signature	